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UM WILL COMPETE IN NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION IN NYC

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Two teams from the University of Montana placed second and third, respectively, in the regional moot court competition at the University of Oregon, Eugene, Nov. 5, 6 and 7. Their showing in competition with 14 other teams from seven other schools in the Northwest region won UM the right to compete in the National Moot Court Competition in New York City in January.

The UM team that placed second in the regional event also won an award for the best brief. The team members are Robert Brown, Nashua; Peggi Gilliam, Helena, and Gary Walton, Livingston.

Members of the third-place team are Ira Eakin, Fort Worth, Texas; Kimberly Kradolfer, Butte; and Jim Rice, Glasgow.

The team's coach is Bari R. Burke, visiting assistant professor this year in the UM law school.

The National Moot Court Competition, which was won by a UM team last year, is sponsored by the Young Lawyers Committee of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York and the American College of Trial Lawyers. The purpose of the competition is to encourage appellate advocacy and to provide a meeting ground for judges, lawyers, faculty and students.

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